duties of the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department and Chief Engineer, Krishnarajasagara, in view of the large reductions made in the capital grants and the slowing down of the progress of the latter works.

There is, in Madras, a wholetime Secretary interposed between Government and the Head of the Department. The separation of the functions of the Chief Engineer and the Secretary to Government came into force from May 1925 and is stated to be successfully working. The Mysore Retrenchment Committee threw out a suggestion for reducing the number of Secretaries and if the proposed measure is likely to load to economy of cost, ensuring at the same time better Treasury control, there is no reason why it should not be given a trial.

## Concluding Remarks.

227. If the proposals made in this part are accepted, it may be possible to retrench the post of one officer of the Deputy Commissioner's grade doing duty as Development Secretary, one Superintendent (of the Muzrai Branch) and six clerks.

The first item involves a large question of policy and does not directly arise in the organisation of the General and Revenue Secretariat. This measure of economy will depend on the feasibility of combining the functions of the Chief Engineers, Public Works Department and Krishnarajasagara about which I am not competent to offer any opinion. Assuming that it is possible and that the Secretariat work of the Public Works, Krishnarajasagara, Electrical and Railway Secretariats could be combined in one organisation, I have thrown a hint that the feasibility of appointing an Engineering Officer as Secretary in charge of the Development Departments (including the four Secretariats mentioned above) may be examined.

- 228. Regarding the second item, viz., abolition of the post of the Superintendent, Muzrai Branch, the saving will materialise only if a Superintendent for the new Issue Branch proposed to be created is provided for otherwise. I have assumed that the present Assistant Secretary, Economic Conference, Mr. Kantam, who is in charge of General Records and Library, will be available for the new charge, but if this is not possible, the cadre of the Superintendent will remain status quo ante.
- 229. As regards the retrenchment of six clerks, I have calculated that three hands—will become released by the concentration of all despatchers in one Branch and an equal number as—the result of the adoption of the decentralisation proposals.
- 230. The suggestion to combine the First and Second Division clerks, into one grade on a running time-scale of pay of Rs. 30-40—2-10—3-90—6—150 is another measure of economy, and this is independent of the acceptance or rejection of other proposal made in the report.
- 231. Conclusion.—The necessity for economising cost is imperative. Within the time allotted to me, I have collected some materials and formulated a few ideas for the consideration of Government. In the performance of this task, I am indebted to the Heads of Departments for having kindly responded to my request for information. The Chief Secretary and the Comptroller have very greatly helped me in getting through my work. I am thankful to them both as well as all officers and officials of the two offices who obliged me by promptly placing at my disposal necessary records and particulars on points referred to them.

I think I should not omit to place on record my appreciation of the services rendered by my assistants without whose ungrudging co-operation my work could not have been completed in time.

## Administration of the Bangalore City Municipality.

READ-

Letter No. G. To. 264, dated the 7th February 1934, from the Municipal Commissioner, Bangalore City, forwarding the report on the working of the Municipality for the year 1932-33.

ORDER No. L. 6846-51-ML. 198-33-2, DATED BANGALORE, THE 15TH MARCH 1934.

Recorded.

The delay in the submission of the report is not satisfactory and should be avoided.

- 2. Constitution.—The election of Mr. B. K. Garudachar as non-official President of the Municipal Council was approved by Government in July 1932. The Council held 31 meetings, of which 12 were ordinary, 9 adjourned and 10 special, as against 64 meetings in the previous year, of which 12 were ordinary, 22 adjourned and 30 special.
- 3. Finance.—The income and expenditure during the year under report were Rs. 13,58,090 and Rs. 15,94,392 as against Rs. 13,77,643 and Rs. 12,55,371 respectively in 1931-32. The increase in the expenditure during the year is reported to

General.-His Highness the Maharaja graciously laid the Foundation Stones of the Sir Puttanna Chetty Town Hall and the New Municipal Offices in March 1933.

The work of the Municipality during the year under report was on the whole satisfactory.

R. RANGA RAO,

Chief Secretary to Government.

## DEVELOPMENT SECRETARIAT

## Revision of rates of subscriptions and postage for the "Mysore Gazette"

READ

Government Order No., G. 6148-204-P. & S. 54-30-2, dated 15th December 1930, sanctioning the rate of subscription for the Mysore Gazette and the several parts and sections thereof.

2. Correspondence ending with letter No. G. 585, dated 22nd December 1933, from the Superintendent, Government Printing and Compiler, Mysore Gazette, submitting proposals for revising the rates of subscriptions and postage for the Mysore Gazette sent outside India and within India outside

ORDER No. G. 6537-8-P. & S. 28-33-4, DATED BANGALORE, тне 26тн Максн 1934.

The Compiler, Mysore Gazette, states that the rates fixed for Inland postage for the transmission of the Mysore Gazette are not based on the actual charges incurred and recommends the revision of the scale both as regards subscribers in India outside Mysore and outside India.

2. Government are pleased to approve of his proposal that the rates of postage

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Secretary to Government, Development Department.